

Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended) In a system for electronically transmitting to an electronic mail (e-mail) server electronic data derived from optically scanning a document, a method for recovering from an interruption in electrical power causing a failure in the complete transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server, the method comprising:

- (a) storing the electronic data to a non-volatile storage device;
- (b) ~~detecting a failure in the complete transmission of electronic data to the e-mail server by examining the storage device for the electronic data derived from optically scanning the document, after the interruption in electrical power;~~
- (c) ~~responsive to detecting a failure in the complete transmission of electronic data, establishing communication with the e-mail server; and,~~
- (d) ~~transmitting the electronic data from the storage device to the e-mail server;~~  
removing the electronic data from the storage device after the electronic data has been completely transmitted to the e-mail server;  
determining if the electronic data is present on the storage device after the interruption in electrical power; and  
if the electronic data is determined to be present on the storage device after the interruption in electrical power, resuming the transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server or restarting the transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server.

2-5. canceled

6. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 further including confirming receipt of all of the electronic data by the e-mail server.

## 7. (canceled)

8. (currently amended) A system for recovering from an interruption in electrical power causing a failure in the complete transmission of the electronic data to an ~~the~~ an e-mail server, the system comprising;

- (a) scanning hardware for optically scanning a document to create electronic data;
- (b) a non-volatile storage device for storing the electronic data;
- (c) ~~means for detecting a failure to completely transmit the electronic data to the e-mail server by examining the storage device for the electronic data derived from optically scanning the document, after a restoration of electrical power;~~
- (d) ~~means, responsive-to-detecting-a-failure-in-the-complete-transmission-of-electronic-data, for transmitting the electronic data from the storage device to the e-mail server;~~
- ~~means for removing the electronic data from the storage device after the electronic data has been completely transmitted to the e-mail server;~~
- ~~means for determining if the electronic data is present on the storage device after the interruption in electrical power; and~~
- ~~means for, if the electronic data is determined to be present on the storage device after the interruption in electrical power, resuming the transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server or restarting the transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server.~~

## 9-10. canceled

11. (currently amended) The system of claim 8 further including means for confirming receipt of all of the electronic data by the e-mail server.

## 12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A program storage system readable by a computer, tangibly embodying a program, applet, or instructions executable by the computer to perform method steps for recovering from an interruption in electrical power causing a failure in a complete transmission of electronic data to an e-mail server, the electronic data derived from optically scanning a document, the method steps comprising:

- (a) storing the electronic data to a non-volatile storage device;
  - (b) ~~detecting a failure in the complete transmission of electronic data to the e-mail server by examining the storage device for the electronic data derived from optically scanning the document, after the interruption in electrical power;~~
  - (c) ~~responsive to detecting a failure in the complete transmission of electronic data, establishing communication with the e-mail server, and,~~
  - (d) ~~transmitting the electronic data from the storage device to the e-mail server;~~
- removing the electronic data from the storage device after the electronic data has been completely transmitted to the e-mail server;
- determining if the electronic data is present on the storage device after the interruption in electrical power; and
- if the electronic data is determined to be present on the storage device after the interruption in electrical power, resuming the transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server or restarting the transmission of the electronic data to the e-mail server.

14-18. (canceled)

19. (currently amended) The program storage system of claim 13 further including the method step, confirming receipt of all of the electronic data by the e-mail server.

20. (canceled)